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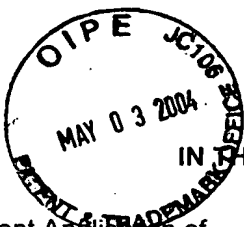
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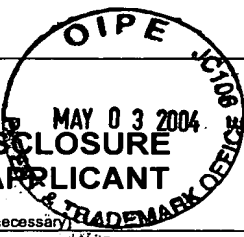
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1. We wish to make of record the certain citations listed in the Search Report/Examination Report in accordance with 37 CFR 1.97.

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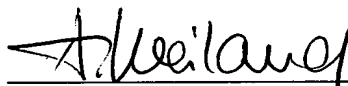
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Additionally, copies of the references cited in the specification are enclosed. ☐ ()

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